

To: Brooke Coleman (b) (6)
From: Argyropoulos, Paul
Sent: Mon 4/15/2013 12:50:58 PM
Subject: This Weeks Meeting

Hi Brooke,

Just checking in for this weeks meeting. As you know, Chris's schedule is tight. I'm hoping he'll be able to step in for 5 to 10 minutes but that will be about all he'll likely have time for. Karl and I and possible a few others will be available though. See you on Wednesday.

Thanks, Paul

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From: Argyropoulos, Paul
Location: (b) (6)
Importance: Normal
Subject: Accepted: Call with Paul, Anne and Larry
Start Date/Time: Wed 4/3/2013 3:00:00 PM
End Date/Time: Wed 4/3/2013 3:10:00 PM

To: Larry Schafer (b) (6)
Cc: Anne Steckel (b) (6)
From: Argyropoulos, Paul
Sent: Wed 4/3/2013 12:48:48 PM
Subject: RE: question

I should have some time. My calendar is peculiarly open.....

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From: Larry Schafer [mailto:(b) (6)]
Sent: Wednesday, April 03, 2013 8:32 AM
To: Argyropoulos, Paul
Cc: Anne Steckel
Subject: question

Paul,

Do you have a couple of minutes today ... Anne and I would like to do a brief call with you to gain some perspective on a couple of issues ... probably need only about 10 minutes?

Let me know ...

Thanks

Larry Schafer

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To: Larry Schafer (b) (6)
From: Argyropoulos, Paul
Sent: Tue 4/2/2013 11:25:50 AM
Subject: RE: Busy Monday

Yes, it's still on. I'll let Cindy know.

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From: Larry Schafer [mailto:(b) (6)]
Sent: Tuesday, April 02, 2013 7:17 AM
To: Argyropoulos, Paul
Subject: RE: Busy Monday

Thank you Paul ...

That means a lot to me ...

Also ... is the meeting still on for Thursday with Gina?

We haven't received anything from Cindy .

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From: Argyropoulos, Paul [mailto:(b) (6)]
Sent: Tuesday, April 02, 2013 7:05 AM
To: Larry Schafer
Subject: RE: Busy Monday

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I will be back in the saddle today (Tuesday) we had an expected (but early) visitor on Monday ...

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To: Larry Schafer (b) (6)
From: Argyropoulos, Paul
Sent: Tue 4/2/2013 11:05:19 AM
Subject: RE: Busy Monday

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Schafer (mailto: (b) (6))
Sent: Tuesday, April 02, 2013 5:34 AM
To: Argyropoulos, Paul
Subject: Busy Monday

Hey Paul,

I will be back in the saddle today (Tuesday) we had an expected (but early) visitor on Monday ...

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To: Brian Jennings (b) (6)
From: Argyropoulos, Paul
Sent: Thur 3/28/2013 8:08:36 PM
Subject: RE: Jonathon Lehman?

Hi Brian,

Sorry, but we're being pretty strict about this. We'd prefer to keep this to just direct representatives.

Thanks for you understanding.

Enjoy Mexico.

Paul

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From: Brian Jennings [mailto:(b) (6)]
Sent: Thursday, March 28, 2013 4:05 PM
To: Argyropoulos, Paul

Cc: Ron Lamberty
Subject: Jonathon Lehman?

Paul,

Any objection to ACE's lobbyist, Jonathon Lehman, attending the mtg next week as well? If so, no worries, just thought we'd ask. He does some work for AEC and National Corn in addition to ACE so he's got a lot of ties to the industry.

Brian

To: Larry Schafer (b) (6)
From: Argyropoulos, Paul
Sent: Wed 3/27/2013 4:15:58 PM
Subject: RE: Thank Paul ... got it ...next Thursday at 11 ...

Only Anne. It's because I like you guys so much.....

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From: Larry Schafer [mailto:(b) (6)]
Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2013 12:11 PM
To: Argyropoulos, Paul
Subject: Thank Paul ... got it ...next Thursday at 11 ...

Is it ok if I bring Anne?

Larry Schafer

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To: McAdams J. Michael (b) (6)
Cc: (b) (6) (b) (6)
From: Argyropoulos, Paul
Sent: Thur 3/21/2013 6:25:23 PM
Subject: Link to RFA Letter - Enjoy

Tough RFA letter to EPA & DOE on "Big Oil" undermining E15....

http://ethanolrfa.3cdn.net/73ef5a117cc5c1e112_9fm6b98iw.pdf

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To: McAdams J. (b) (6)
From: Argyropoulos, Paul
Sent: Thur 3/21/2013 6:24:13 PM
Subject: RFA Letter - Enjoy

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To: McAdams J. Michael (b) (6)
From: Argyropoulos, Paul
Sent: Thur 3/21/2013 6:20:53 PM
Subject: Link to RFA Letter - Enjoy

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To: Larry Schafer (b) (6)
From: Argyropoulos, Paul
Sent: Mon 3/18/2013 11:18:14 AM
Subject: RE: You ok?

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From: Larry Schafer [mailto:(b) (6)]
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2013 11:50 AM
To: Argyropoulos, Paul
Subject: You ok?

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To: (b) (6) [Michael.McAdams@hklaw.com]
From: Argyropoulos, Paul
Sent: Wed 3/13/2013 3:07:22 PM
Subject: RE: Lunch

I'm jammed today and then out for next 2 days. Can you do next week?

From: (b) (6) [mailto:(b) (6)]
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2013 10:12 AM
To: Argyropoulos, Paul
Subject: Lunch

Paul: You have time for lunch this week.

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Sent: Thur 2/28/2013 3:19:47 PM
Subject: Delek was registered Tuesday.....

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Subject: Delek was registered on Tuesday

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From: Argyropoulos, Paul
Sent: Wed 2/27/2013 4:38:33 PM
Subject: RE: Do you have a minute?

Not until 12:30. Does that work?

From: Larry Schafer [mailto:(b) (6)]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 10:32 AM
To: Argyropoulos, Paul
Subject: Do you have a minute?

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To: michael (b) (6) (b) (6)
From: Argyropoulos, Paul
Sent: Mon 2/11/2013 7:58:27 PM
Subject: Hey, What's Tysons Interest in tomorrow meeting again?

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To: Larry Schafer (b) (6)
From: Argyropoulos, Paul
Sent: Mon 2/11/2013 6:28:44 PM
Subject: Re: biodiesel tax incentive slides

Very much. Thanks.

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From: Larry Schafer (b) (6)
To: Paul Argyropoulos/DC/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 02/11/2013 01:13 PM
Subject: biodiesel tax incentive slides

Paul,

Here is the background information you requested.

The biodiesel, renewable diesel and renewable aviation tax credit.

Diesel fuel excise tax is 24.4 cents per gallon.

The biodiesel tax credit is \$1.00 -- it is a credit against excise tax.

It is refundable (if you have no excise tax liability, then you are still able to receive the tax credit)

In order to take the credit, you must blend biodiesel with diesel fuel -- this happens two ways:

1. Biodiesel producers blend B99 (0.1 percent diesel with 99.9% biodiesel) at the biodiesel plant -- when they do biodiesel producers are eligible to take the credit -- and they pass a portion of the tax credit to whoever purchases the biodiesel from them.
2. Petroleum blenders blend B100 with diesel fuel (usually a B2 to B14 blend) -- when this happens the biodiesel producer sells B100 and negotiates up front whether they retain any value of the credit before they sell it -- under this example -- the blender (the petroleum company, or the discretionary blender (Loves, Pilot, etc.)) takes the tax credit. The blenders are the "blender of record" and are subject to excise tax 24.4 cents on each gallon of fuel they put into the market place (because they are putting a taxable fuel into the market place) ...

If you produce the biodiesel in another country then you can sell it as B100 in the United States – the company you sell it to, can then take the tax credit on it --- When produced outside of the United States the product cannot be exported.

Does this help?

I have attached some slides and some instructions ... also included below ...

Let me know if you need more ...

Line 2. Biodiesel or Renewable Diesel Mixture Credit

Claimant. The person that produced and sold or used the mixture in their trade or business is the only person eligible to make this claim. The credit is based on the gallons of biodiesel or renewable diesel in the mixture. The biodiesel used to produce the biodiesel mixture must meet ASTM D6751 and meet the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) registration requirements for fuels and fuel additives under section 211 of the Clean Air Act. The renewable diesel used to produce the renewable diesel mixture must be derived from biomass, meet EPA's registration requirements for fuels and fuel additives under section 211 of the Clean Air Act, and meet ASTM D975, D396, or other equivalent standard approved by the IRS. Renewable diesel also includes fuel derived from biomass that meets a Department of Defense specification for military jet fuel or an ASTM specification for aviation turbine fuel. For a renewable diesel mixture used in aviation, kerosene is treated as if it is diesel fuel.

Claim requirements. The biodiesel mixture credit may not be claimed for biodiesel produced outside the United States for use as a fuel outside the United States. The United States includes any possession of the United States. The following requirements must be met.

1. The claim must be for a biodiesel or renewable diesel mixture sold or used during a period that is at least 1 week.
2. The claimant has a certificate from the producer. See Certificate below for details.
3. The amount of the claim must be at least \$200 unless the claim is filed electronically. To meet the minimum, amounts from lines 1, 2, and 3 may be combined.
4. The claim must be filed by the last day of the first

quarter following the earliest quarter of the claimant's income tax year included in the claim. For example, a calendar-year claimant's claim for a biodiesel mixture sold or used during June and July must be filed by September 30.

Certificate. The Certificate for Biodiesel and, if applicable, Statement of Biodiesel Reseller must be attached to the first claim filed that is supported by the certificate or statement. For the renewable diesel mixture credit, you must edit the certificate and, if applicable, statement to indicate that the fuel to which the certificate and statement relate is renewable diesel and state the renewable diesel meets the requirements discussed earlier under Claimant. See Model Certificate O and Model Certificate S in Pub. 510. If the certificate and statement are not attached to Schedule 3 because they are attached to a previously-filed claim on Schedule C (Form 720), attach a separate sheet with the following information.

1. Certificate identification number.
2. Total gallons of biodiesel or renewable diesel on certificate.
3. Total gallons claimed on Schedule C (Form 720), line 13.

How to claim the credit. Any biodiesel or renewable diesel mixture credit must first be taken on Schedule C to reduce your taxable fuel liability for gasoline, diesel fuel, and kerosene reported on Form 720. Any excess credit may be taken on Schedule C (Form 720), Form 8849, Form 4136, or Form 8864. See Notice 2005-4 and Notice 2005-62 for more information.

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To: Larry Schafer (b) (6)
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From: Argyropoulos, Paul
Sent: Mon 2/11/2013 4:04:07 PM
Subject: Quick Question

Does the biodiesel tax credit apply to foreign producers?

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To: Larry Schafer (b) (6)
From: Argyropoulos, Paul
Sent: Tue 1/29/2013 7:04:11 PM
Subject: Re: guessing you know ...

Where did you get that info?????

Not sure it's 100 percent accurate.

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.From: Larry Schafer (b) (6)
To: Paul Argyropoulos/DC/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 01/29/2013 02:02 PM
Subject: guessing you know ...

RVO ... was signed last night and may be posted today ?

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To: Larry Schafer (b) (6)
From: Argyropoulos, Paul
Sent: Mon 1/28/2013 3:57:04 PM
Subject: Re: Question

Nope.
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From: Larry Schafer (b) (6)
Sent: 01/28/2013 10:54 AM EST
To: Paul Argyropoulos
Subject: Question

Paul

Do u expect the Fridays court deciision on cellulosic will delay the 2013 RVO announcement?

Larry Schafer

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To: Larry Schafer (b) (6)
From: Argyropoulos, Paul
Sent: Thur 1/24/2013 1:25:45 PM
Subject: RE: Are we still on for tomorrow at 2 pm?

We can use : (b) (6) CODE: 2025641123#

Do you have a list of who's coming?

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From: Larry Schafer (b) (6)
To: Paul Argyropoulos/DC/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 01/24/2013 07:59 AM
Subject: RE: Are we still on for tomorrow at 2 pm?

Do you have a call in number set up ... I would like NBB's technical director who is located in MO to participate ...

If you don't have one ... then I can set one up ...

Please let me know ...

Thanks

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From: (b) (6)
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Sent: Wednesday, January 23, 2013 4:45 PM
To: larryschafer18
Subject: Re: Are we still on for tomorrow at 2 pm?

Yup
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From: "Larry Schafer" [(b) (6)]
Sent: 01/23/2013 09:34 PM GMT
To: Paul Argyropoulos
Subject: Are we still on for tomorrow at 2 pm?

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From: Larry Schafer
Location: Boss Shepards - 13th and Penn.
Importance: Normal
Subject: Lunch with Paul A and NBB (Anne, Lindsay, Larry)
Start Date/Time: Fri 12/19/2014 5:30:00 PM
End Date/Time: Fri 12/19/2014 7:00:00 PM

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From: Larry Schafer
Location: Coffee - tbd
Importance: Normal
Subject: Paul / Larry
Start Date/Time: Wed 7/30/2014 12:30:00 PM
End Date/Time: Wed 7/30/2014 1:00:00 PM

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From: Jonathan Birdsong
Location: Conference Call
Importance: Normal
Subject: Call with Delane Richardson of Chemtex and Paul Argyropoulos of EPA re: biofuel feedstock questions
Start Date/Time: Thur 3/6/2014 4:00:00 PM
End Date/Time: Thur 3/6/2014 4:30:00 PM

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When: Thursday, March 06, 2014 11:00 AM-11:30 AM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

Where: Conference Call

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From: Larry Schafer
Location: Room - Salon ABC - at the Washingtⁿ Marriott Metro Center - 775 12th Street NW
Importance: Normal
Subject: Paul Argyropoulos Presentation to the NBB Board of Directors
Start Date/Time: Wed 6/12/2013 1:00:00 PM
End Date/Time: Wed 6/12/2013 1:45:00 PM

Paul Argyropoulos to Present to the NBB Board of Directors

Time: 9:00 am to 9:45 am.

Location: Washington Marriott Metro Center
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Room – Salon ABC

Thank you Paul